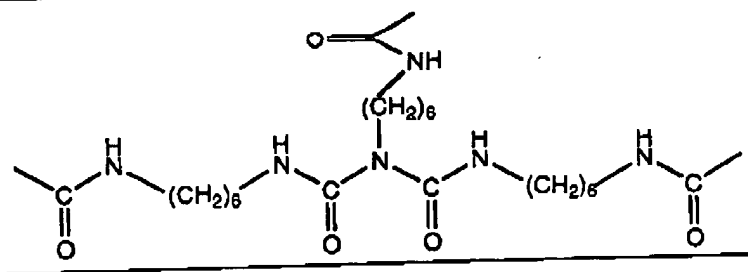


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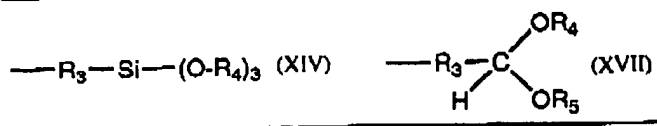
Please add the following claims:

16. A coating composition according to claim 10 wherein X, Y, and Z are methylene.
17. A coating composition according to claim 10 wherein one of R₁ and R₂ is a monovalent radical of linear or branched alk(en)yl groups having 1-20 carbon atoms.
18. A coating composition according to claim 17 wherein the monovalent radical is selected from the group of methyl and ethyl.
19. A coating composition according to claim 17 wherein the other of R₁ and R₂ is -O-C₁₋₁₀.
20. A coating composition according to claim 10 wherein B is derived from an organic polyisocyanate compound.
21. A coating composition according to claim 20 wherein the organic polyisocyanate is the biuret of hexamethylene diisocyanate and B has the following chemical structure

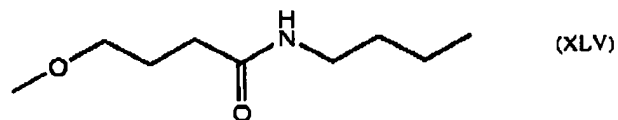
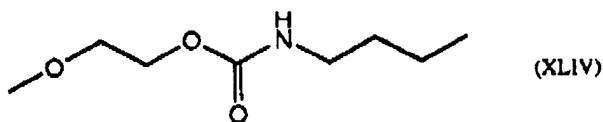


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22. A coating composition according to claim 10 wherein C is selected from the formulae XIV and XVII



23. A coating composition according to claim 22 wherein R₄ and R₅ are methyl or ethyl and R₃ is a group selected from the following formulae XLIV-XLVI



24. A process for curing a coating composition according to claim 10 wherein the latent hydroxyl groups of the bicyclo-orthoester groups are deblocked in the presence of water, optionally in the presence of a first catalyst, and reacted with the hydroxyl reactive groups of the first and/or second compound, optionally in the presence of a second catalyst.